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Form 10-300
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE	Virginia
COUNTY	Fauquier
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ENTRY DATE	

1. NAME

COMMON:
Oak Hill

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
.3 miles East of Route 17, 2.2 miles South of Delaplane

CITY OR TOWN:
Seventh; J. Kenneth Robinson

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:
Seventh; J. Kenneth Robinson

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
Virginia	51	Fauquier	061

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure 	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment 	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum 	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific 	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Morris Marks

STREET AND NUMBER:
Oak Hill

CITY OR TOWN:
Delaplane

STATE:
Virginia

CODE:
51

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:
Fauquier County Court House

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Warrenton

STATE:
Virginia

CODE:
51

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Historic American Buildings Survey Inventory

DATE OF SURVEY: 1958
 Federal
 State
 County
 Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Library of Congress

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Washington

STATE:
D. C.

CODE:
11

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

I. General Statement:

A. Architectural character: Oak Hill consists of two separate and distinct houses connected by a passage. The smaller and earlier house is a fine example of a Fauquier County Colonial farmhouse in the traditional Virginia idiom. The later house is a temple-form Federal house of architectural sophistication.

B. Condition of fabric: Good.

II. Description of the Exterior:

A. Over-all dimensions:

1. Original house: (32'-1 1/2" X 30'-2") The five-bay one-and-a-half story house is connected to the later house by a one-bay one-story passageway.

2. Later house: (40'-1 3/4" X 37'-2 5/8") This three-bay structure is two stories high and four bays deep. Four shallow pilasters appear to support the pedimented gable with an elliptical fanlight in the tympanum.

B. Foundations:

- 1. Original house: Stone
- 2. Later house: Brick

C. Wall construction and finish:

1. Original house: Frame covered with white beaded weatherboarding.

2. Later house: Brick covered with a light coat of white stucco. The tympanum of the rear pediment porch are of white weatherboarding.

D. Porches:

1. Original house: The west entrance consists of a straight flight of unadorned wooden steps. On the east side, a pyramidal flight of wooden steps is covered by a shed porch supported by simple piers.

2. Later house: The west entrance has a broad stoop approached by a flight of stairs from each side. A simple iron balustrade is utilized on the steps and stoop. At one time the west facade was covered by a one-story portico with six fluted Doric columns. On the east a two-story porch with paneled wooden piers is now screened and glassed in.

E. Chimneys:

1. Original house: Two exterior chimneys with well-defined shoulders and stacks set away from the gable are employed. The north chimney is laid in a pattern with glazed headers.

2. Later house: Two interior chimneys are used.

F. Openings:

1. Doorways and doors:

a. Original house: A triangular pediment supported by plain pilasters frames the six-paneled door of the west entrance.

b. Later house: The west entrance has a fluted fan, sidelights and paneled pilasters surrounding double doors of three panels each. The side doors have blank lunettes and

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architrave trim.

2. Windows:

a. Original house: Wooden double-hung windows have nine-over-nine lights and are surrounded by a wide architrave trim. The gabled dormers have six-over-six lights.

b. Later house: Both the upper and lower windows have double-hung windows with six-over-six lights.

G. Roof:

1. Original house: The steeply pitched roof has a slight kick at the eaves. Two dormers open on the west slope and one on the east slope.

2. Later house: A shallow gable roof has pedimented ends, and a modified Doric cornice with mutule and guttae surrounds the pediment and roof.

III. Description of the Interior

A. Floor plan:

1. Original house: The rectangular house is divided into four unequal rooms with the entrance in the larger southwest room.

2. Later house: Typical of temple-form houses, this structure has a lateral front hall with two large rooms behind.

B. Stairways:

1. Original house: The original single-run stair is now located near the east door and has square newels molded handrail and turned balusters. A later narrow spiral stair ascends in a corner of the northwest room.

2. Later house: A two run open-string rectangular stair with balusters ascends in the northwest corner of the hall.

C. Wall and ceiling finish: Most of the plaster walls are papered, although some are painted. Ceilings are painted plaster.

D. Doorways and doors:

1. Original house: Architrave trim surrounds six-paneled doors

2. Later house: Symmetrically molded trim has corner blocks with rosettes. The wide soffits are paneled, as are the doors.

E. Trim:

1. Original house: A typical late-eighteenth century chair rail with symmetrical molding is in all the rooms. The southwest room features a dentil cornice with crown and bed moldings.

2. Later house: The lower rooms have a very simple molded cornice.

F. Heating:

1. Original house: Although this house was originally heated by fireplaces, it now shares a central heating

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system with the later house. The southwest room features an elaborate chimneypiece with a paneled breast framed by fluted pilasters. The mantel in the northwest room has a wide shelf with moldings, a band of interlocking geometric molding in the frieze and pilasters.

2. Later house: The mantels here feature wide shelves, central panels with ellipses and columns. Diagonal reeding is utilized on the friezes and shelves.

IV. Site:

A. General setting and orientation: Oak Hill is set on a hill facing west to the Blue Ridge and is surrounded by rolling pastured hills.

B. Outbuildings: A line of outbuildings, including a three-bay kitchen with brick exterior end chimneys, a log smoke house and a three-bay slave quarters with one exterior end chimney, is located east of the main houses. Several barns and other farm outbuildings are situated farther east of this row.

8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian | 16th Century | 18th Century | 20th Century
 15th Century | 17th Century | 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | <u>history</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Oak Hill was the country seat of Chief Justice John Marshall and the place where he spent much of his young adult life. The original portion of the estate's interesting two-section house survives as a rare example of a Fauquier County Colonial farmhouse, and the later adjoining building is a simple but dignified late-Federal dwelling. The architectural interest of both structures is heightened by the fact that nearly all of their original finely-detailed interior woodwork is intact.

The Marshall family became established in the vicinity when Colonel Thomas Marshall, father of the Chief Justice, moved from nearby Germantown, Fauquier County, and settled on a farm on Goose Creek near the village of Markham in 1765. In 1773 he bought the nearby Oak Hill tract and built a seven-room frame house there. This house is the older portion of the Oak Hill complex. John Marshall lived permanently at Oak Hill from the time of its construction until his marriage in 1783. Thomas Marshall gave Oak Hill to his son in 1785 when he decided to move to Kentucky, and, although he lived mostly in Richmond and Washington after his marriage, Marshall maintained an active interest in his county home.

During his tenure Marshall enlarged and improved the estate. In 1819 he had erected the temple-form Federal house adjoining the older dwelling as a residence for his son, Thomas. Following the deaths of both John Marshall and his son in 1835, Oak Hill became the property of Thomas's son, John. At Oak Hill John Marshall II lived the life of "a scholar and literary gentleman," while maintaining a generous and hospitable house. His generous ways proved too costly and he was forced to sell Oak Hill to his younger brother, Thomas. Thomas Marshall, a colonel in the Confederate Army, was killed in action in 1864, and Oak Hill was sold out of the Marshall family. In the late nineteenth century Oak Hill was owned by F. W. Maddux. His son sold the estate in 1914 to Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Baird. In 1965 Oak Hill was acquired by Morris Marks who maintains it as a working farm.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Fauquier County, Va., 1759-1959, Fauquier County Bicentennial Committee, Va. Publishing, Inc., 1959.
 Northern Virginia Heritage, Eleanor Lee Templeton & Nan Netherton, Privately Published 1966.
 Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission Files.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	38 ° 53' 35"	77 ° 54' 29"		° ' "	° ' "	
NE	38 ° 53' 35"	77 ° 53' 46"				
SE	38 ° 53' 05"	77 ° 53' 46"				
SW	38 ° 53' 05"	77 ° 54' 29"				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 100 acres.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
 Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission Staff

ORGANIZATION: Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission DATE: March, 1973

STREET AND NUMBER:
 Room 1116 Ninth Street State Office Building

CITY OR TOWN: Richmond STATE: Virginia CODE: 51

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name _____

Junius R. Fishburne, Jr., Director
 Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission
 Title _____

Date _____

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

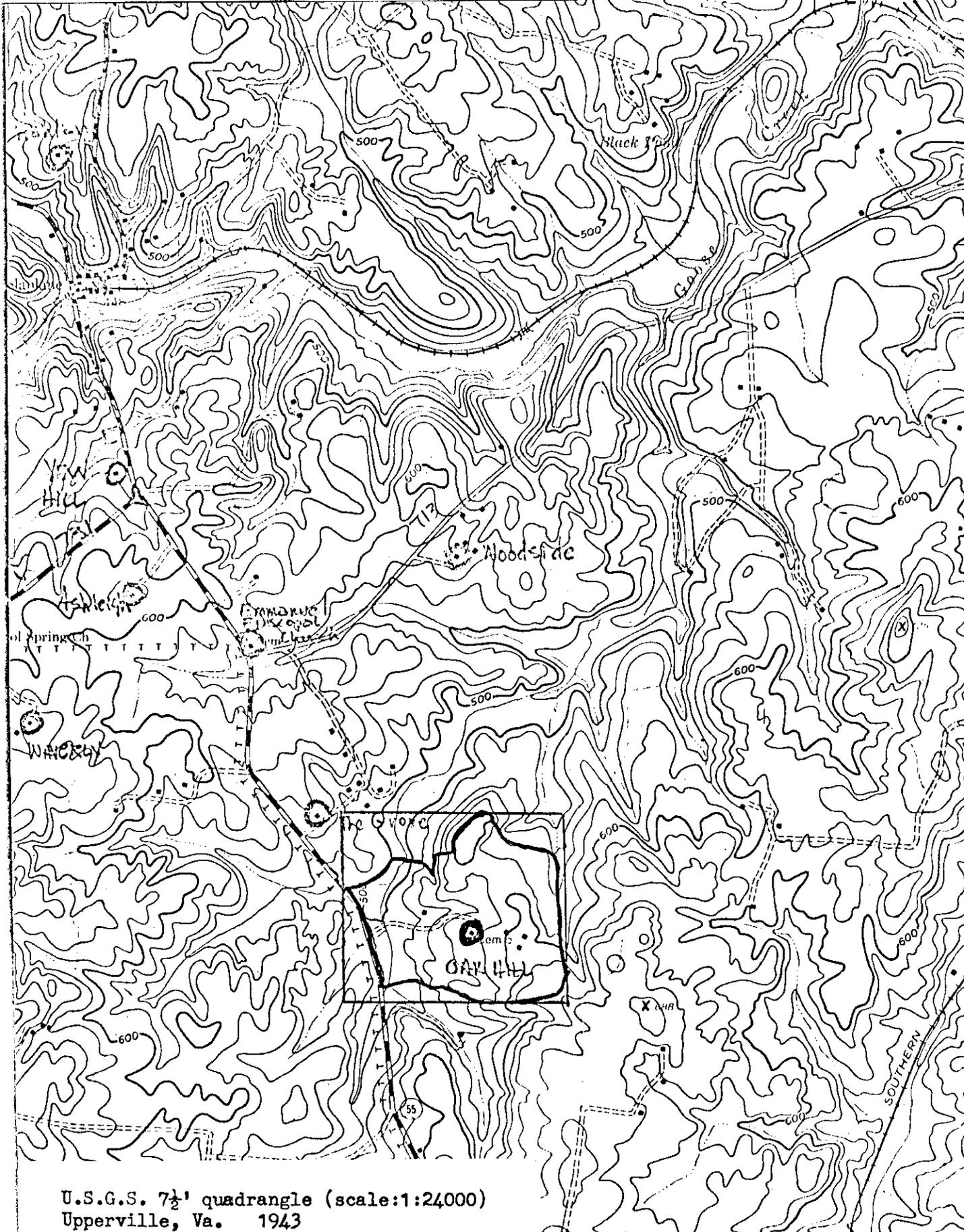
 Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date _____

ATTEST:

 Keeper of The National Register

Date _____



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38°52'30"
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 (MARSHALL)

U.S.G.S. 7½' quadrangle (scale:1:24000)
 Upperville, Va. 1943

OAK HILL
 latitude
 NW 38°53'35"
 NE 38°53'35"
 SE 38°53'05"
 SW 38°53'05"
 longitude
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 77°53'46"
 77°53'46"
 77°54'29"



ROAD CLASSIFICATION
 Heavy-duty ——— Light-duty ———
 Medium-duty - - - Unimproved dirt - - -
 U. S. Route □ State Route ○

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